TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 2883 – SB 2723

March 4, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013699): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes a local board of education to hold a scheduled board meeting by electronic means if a member is absent due to work out of the county, family emergency, or military service. Only these members may attend and participate electronically in the meeting. Prohibits a board meeting from being conducted by electronic means unless a quorum is physically present at the meeting's location. Requires a board member to give at least five day's notice prior to the board meeting if he or she intends to participate electronically. Limits electronic participation in a board meeting to once in a school year. Boards of education shall develop a policy for conducting meetings electronically.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant/Permissive

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Local school boards will not be required to hold meetings electronically.
- A majority of local school boards currently possess the technology to hold electronic meetings.
- The number of absences and the number of electronic meetings will be not significant.
- Any increase in permissive local expenditures will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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